Toastmasters Club

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Local Toastmasters offer help

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The meek *may* one day "inherit the earth" but in the meantime they will have to speak up for what they want.

No matter what the case, it's important to effectively communicate your position.

Toastmasters Club provides a training environment for persons interested in improving their communicative skills. The non—partisan, non-sectarian club claims an international membership of more than one million people of various backgrounds.

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According to the local chapter, toastmasters develop and improve skills in leadership, listening critically and analytically, public speaking and using constructive criticism.

Members also become more confident in planning and conducting meetings.

Though a definite learning experience, Toastmasters is not a class. It's a club where the members learn by doing and are encouraged to help each other.

Toastmasters clubs generally meet once per week for breakfast, lunch or dinner. The program begins with a brief business meeting, which helps to familiarize everyone with parliamentary procedure.

Members without specific assignments, practice "on-the-spot" speaking by giving a 1- to 2-minute, unprepared talk. Remaining members present 5- to 7-minute talks on subjects they've been assigned. The presentations are followed by an evaluation period, designed to constructively critique each speaker.

Toastmasters attempts to help its members improve their communication in business meetings, community affairs, job interviews, sales contacts, panel discussions, educational courses and telephone conversations.

The club, usually consisting of 30 to 40 men and women, also offers other benefits. "The Toastmaster" Magazine is a monthly publication available to each member. In addition, members may compete in the Toastmasters International Speech Contest.

A number of businesses, associations and governmental agencies provide in-house clubs for the employees. Some of the organizations associated with Toastmasters include Amtrak, All-State Insurance, State Farm Insurance, Internal Revenue Service, Sears, Roebuck & Co. and United States Senate.

It often gives members the confidence and polish needed to take advantage of other opportunities, both in their personal lives and in business. Toastmasters also allows members the luxury of learning in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Weekly meetings offer no threat of competition, no worry of grades and no large financial investment to protect.

A "regular" public speaking course, offering information comparable to the Toastmasters Club may cost in excess of $100. But the club offers the support without the cost.

For more information on Toastmasters Club, call Logan Smith, administrative vice president of Vigo 332 Toastmasters at 234-3726 ext. 245.

Stewart is a Tribune-Star reporter and a single parent who writes here weekly about ways to save time and money, about freebies than many overlook, and generally, about coping with day-to-day life in a sensible way.

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WALTER HOLDAMPF NEW PRESIDENT OF TOASTMASTERS

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Walter Holdampf, 54 Canterbury Dr., has assumed duties as president of the Vigo Toastmasters Club. He chaired his first meeting Jan. 4 after installation ceremonies in December.

Other officers are: Robert Hartwell, educational vice president; Gene Printz, administrative vice president; Max Lance, secretary; Kirtley Boyle, treasurer, and Ron Moore, sergeant-at-arms.

The Vigo Club meets each Thursday at 7 p.m. at the YMCA. Toastmasters is an organization founded in 1924 to afford practice and training in the art of public speaking and in presiding over meetings. It also promotes social ibility and good fellowship among its members.

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Ross Barnes will represent Toastmasters

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Ross Barnes, an energy consultant for Public Service Indiana, will represent the Vigo County Toastmasters Saturday at the District 11 Humorous Speech Contest in Kokomo.

Ross Barnes

Barnes, a member of the local Toastmasters, qualified to compete in the contest by winning the district central division competition Oct. 13 at Anderson College with a speech entitled, "Black People."

In that speech Barnes addressed about 125 persons and competed against seven other contestants from the District's three-state area (Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky).

Richard Hildreth, president of the Vigo Toastmasters, said Barnes' speech concerned misconceptions people had in dealing with blacks. The speech was judged on eight criteria, including overall effectiveness of presentation, originality, demeanor, and quality of humor. The speeches were limited to five to seven minutes.

Hildreth noted that Barnes is the first member of the local Toastmasters chapter to win the central division title.

In Saturday's District championship, Barnes will compete against two other participants.

The Vigo Toastmasters meet every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Vigo County Library, Hildreth said.

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Toastmasters Install New 74-75 Officers

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Officers for 1974-75 of the Noon Toastmasters Club No. 2861 and Vigo No. 332, were installed at a special dinner meeting Thursday evening at the Bramble Bush restaurant.

Robert Hartwell, governor of Area 3 of Toastmasters International, installed officers of the two clubs. Wives and guests of members were also present.

Officers installed for the Vigo club were Norman Gulitz, president; Dr. David Howe, educational vice president; Dr. Roy Smudde, administrative vice president; Roy Reese, secretary; Logan Smith, treasurer; and Jim Jackson, sergeant-at-arms.

New officers for the Noon Toastmasters are: Larry Stewart, president; Frank Coverstone, educational vice president; Pamela Goodson, administrative vice president; Richard Conley Jr., secretary; Lenora Genner, treasurer; and George Smith, sergeant-at-arms.

Co-chairmen of the installation party committee were Dr. Coburn DeGoosh and Larry Stewart.

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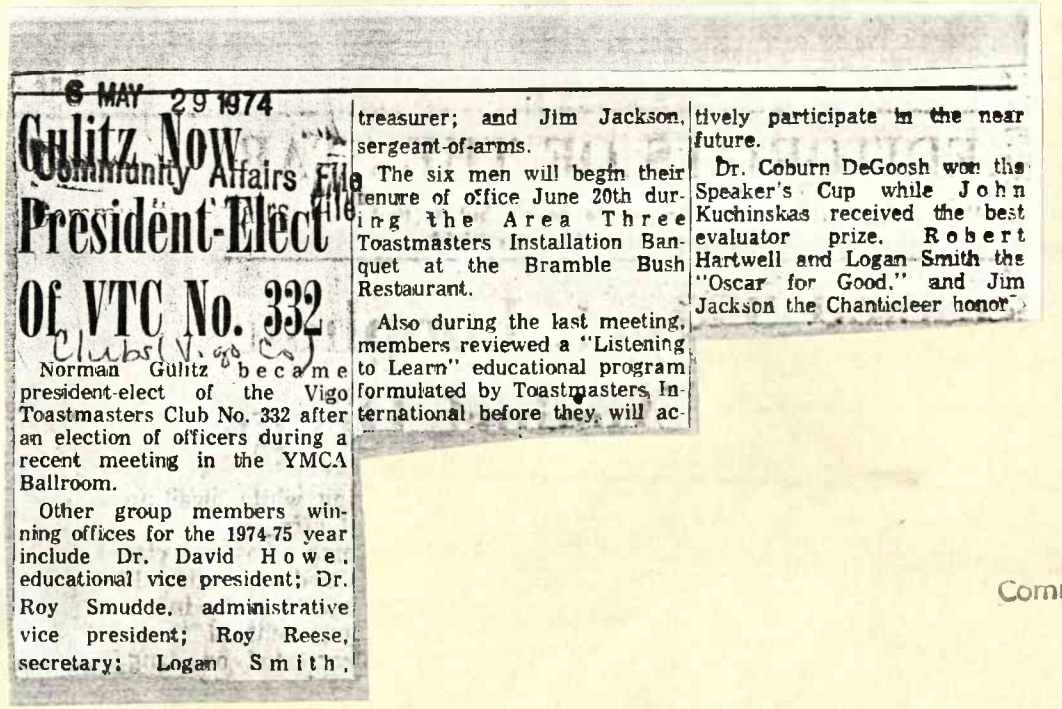

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Gulitz Now President-Elect Of VTC No. 332

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Norman Gulitz became president-elect of the Vigo Toastmasters Club No. 332 after an election of officers during a recent meeting in the YMCA Ballroom.

Other group members winning offices for the 1974-75 year include Dr. David Howe, educational vice president; Dr. Roy Smudde, administrative vice president; Roy Reese, secretary; Logan Smith, treasurer; and Jim Jackson, sergeant-of-arms.

The six men will begin their tenure of office June 20th during the Area Three Toastmasters Installation Banquet at the Bramble Bush Restaurant.

Also during the last meeting, members reviewed a "Listening to Learn" educational program formulated by Toastmasters International before they will actively participate in the near future.

Dr. Coburn DeGoosh won the Speaker's Cup while John Kuchinskas received the best evaluator prize. Robert Hartwell and Logan Smith the "Oscar for Good," and Jim Jackson the Chanticleer honor.

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Local Noon Toastmasters To Get Charter

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The Terre Haute Noon Toastmasters Club will receive its charter in a presentation by District Governor Floyd O. Swathwood of Fort Wayne at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Elks Fort Harrison Country Club.

The first elective executive committee of the new organization, Club No. 2861, includes President Lloyd Tosser Jr., Administrative Vice President Steve Beard, Educational Vice President Kathryn Boswell, Treasurer Mary Farr; Secretary Max Whitaker and Sergeant-at-arms Larry Steuart.

The Vigo 332 Toastmasters Club is hosting the event. Past District Governor Wayne Henderson, Louisville, Ky., will install the newly elected president of 332, Max Lance, who is replacing Gene Printz due to an occupational transfer, and Administrative Vice President Norman Gulitz. Other Toastmaster Club members in the area will also be attending.

There are now four toastmaster clubs in the Terre Haute area with a club in Rockville and another in Brazil. Toastmasters International is an international organization with over 20 million members. Its purpose is, through membership, to learn the basic fundamentals of communication through effective thinking, learning and speaking.

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TOASTMASTERS BEGIN SECOND YEAR THURSDAY

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The Terre Haute Noon Toastmasters Club No. 2861 will meet at noon Thursday in the card room at the Knights of Columbus.

Homer Gulitz will be the toastmaster and Lenora Genner will give the invocation. Table topics master will be Frank Coverstone.

Scheduled speakers are Max Whitaker, Mary Farr and Merrill Bonebrake. Evaluators are Mike Rokicki, Pamela Goodson and Larry Stewart. General evaluator will be Kathryn Bosell, with Lloyd Tosser as grammarian.

The meeting last week observed the first anniversary of the club. Lloyd Tosser reviewed the history of the past year and a birthday cake was served.

Pamela Goodson was the winner of the best speaker award and Kathryn Bosnell and Frank Coverstone shared the best topics speaker award. Lloyd Tosser was named most valuable toastmaster.

The meetings are open to any persons over 18 years of age.

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